



News Release

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- Who:** Maryland National Guard is hosting and conducting Operation Raven Wedge.
- What:** Operation Raven Wedge is an exercise designed to demonstrate the future capabilities of the National Guard to respond rapidly and effectively to a chemical, biological radiological, nuclear and explosive (CBRNE) event. Twenty-two military and civilian organizations from throughout the Federal Emergency Management's (FEMA) Region III are taking part in the exercise (Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia Delaware and the District of Columbia).
- Where:** Camp Fretterd Military Reservation
29th Division Hall
5555 Rue Saint Lo Drive,
Reisterstown, Md. 21136-4540
- When:** August 14, 2005
9 a.m. to 12 noon
- Why:** The feature event will be a mass casualty, practical exercise that is designed to test and demonstrate the capabilities of the Civil Support Team, mass decontamination, medical, logistic support and Expeditionary Medical Support System (EMEDS). The EMEDS being tested can provide medical care to a population at risk of up to 3,000 people. More than 200 people will be taking part in Operation Raven Wedge.
- Visuals:** The media is welcome to film and interview the participants